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1. FOLLOWING RECENT UNSUCCESSFUL COUP ATTEMPT, THE DAHOMEAN CLIMATE FOR VISIT BY US MILITARY OFFICERS IS EVEN LESS RE-CEPTIVE THAN BEFORE. IN FACT WE ARE NOW HAVING DIFFICULTIES MAINTAINING CIVILIAN CONTACTS.

2. IF YOU SHOULD COME HERE IT IS UNLIKELY YOU COULD MEET ANY DAHOMEANS, EVEN SOCIALLY, NO MATTER WHAT EFFORTS WE MAKE.

3. WE NOTE FROM YOUR MESSAGE NUMBER 7 OF 10 JAN THAT REDUCTION IN YOUR TRAVEL FUNDS WILL LIMITE FUTURE TRAVEL. VISIT TO COTONOU WOULD PROBABLY BE LESS USEFUL THAN ONE SOMEWHERE ELSE. YOU MIGHT THEREFORE CONSIDER BIDDING FAREWELL BY LETTER.
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